Right to strike

600. SHRI JIBON ROY:

SHRI TARINI KANTA ROY:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to include 'Right to Strike' as 'Fundamental Right' and amend the Constitution accordingly; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI P. C. THOMAS): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Expenditure on Assembly polls

601. SHRI S. AGNIRAJ: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated expenses to be incurred in conducting the Assembly polls in all the four States, State-wise;

(b) how many battalions of Para Military forces are being employed to conduct smooth polls; and

(c) whether the Photo I-card would be mandatory in these current polls?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI P. C. THOMAS): (a) to (c) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Proxy voting for defence personnel

602. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of defence personnel who have requested to the Election Commission to send them proxy forms for voting in five States going for election in November, 2003; and

(b) the details of the formalities to be performed by proxy voters before the election?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI P. C. THOMAS): (a) and (b) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.